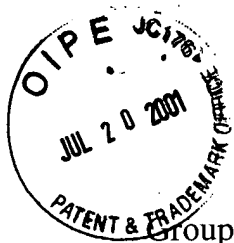


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2001, enclosed please find an Amendment in connection with the above-identified application.

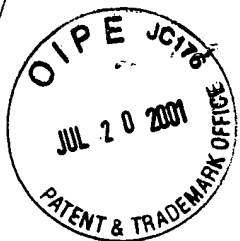
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to Office Action dated July 6, 2001, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims


Kindly cancel claims 7-16 without prejudice.

REMARKS

In an Office Action dated July 6, 2001, the Examiner required a restriction between the claims of Group I, claims 1-6, drawn to a heat pipe, classified in Class 165, subclass 104.21 and the claims in Group II, claims 7-16, drawn to a method of manufacturing a heat pipe, classified in Class 29, subclass 890.032.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I. The claims in Group II have been canceled without prejudice herein. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the claims in Group II, claims 7-16, in a divisional application.

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